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ATTACK ON KFAR YUVAL

1. FOLLOWING IS MFA SPOKESMAN ANNOUNCEMENT OF JUNE 15 CONCERNING TERRORIST ATTACK ON KFAR YUVAL EARLIER IN DAY IN WHICH FOUR TERRORISTS AND TWO ISRAELI VILLAGERS WERE KILLED. (TEXT FROM GOI PRESS OFFICE.)

2. BEGIN TEXT: THE DAMASCUS ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ORGANIZATION DESIGNATING ITSELF THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION BOASTS OF HAVING PERPETRATED THE CRIMINAL DEED AT KFAR YUVAL, AND SPECIFIES THAT IT DREW INSPIRATION THEREFOR FROM THE U.N. UNCLASSIFIED

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ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION--WHICH, IN THE OPINION OF THE

P.L.O., PERMITS IT TO EMPLOY ALL MEASURES TOWARDS ACHIEVING ITS AIMS. THIS MANIFESTATION PROVIDES FRESH PROOF THAT THE GOVERNMENTS SUPPORTING THE PLO, VIEWING IT AS A PARTNER TO DIALOGUE AND AFFORDING IT REPRESENTATION IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, ENCOURAGE--WHETHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY-MURDER AND VIOENCE.

THE ACTION OF THE GAG AT KFAR YUVAL WAS AIMED NOT MERELY AT MURDERING JEWS FOR THEIR JEWISHNESS, BUT ALSO AT UNDERMINING THE DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS PRESENTLY BEING PURSUED TO REVIVE THE POLITICAL MOMENTUM IN THE MIDDLE EAST AS PART OF THE PEACE PROCESS

IT IS NOTHING BUT A BITTER IRONY OF REALITY, THAT JUST WHEN A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PLO WAS INVITED AS AN OBSERVER AT THE SESSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION, THE PLO'S SPOKESMAN DREW INSPIRATION FROM THE U N ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION FOR JUSTIFYING THE HEINOUS DEED AT KFAR YUVAL. END TEXT.

3. IN TELEVISION INTERVIEW EVENING JUNE 15. DEFMIN PERES RESPONDED TO NUMBER OF QUESTIONS CONCERNING HANDLING OF SITUATION AT KFAR YUVAL BY GOI AND IDF. (TEXT OF INTERVIEW BEING TRANSMITTED BY FBIS.) ASKED TO STATE PRESENT ISRAELI POLICY ON HANDLING TERRORIST ATTACKS, PERES SAID: BEGIN QUOTE: ISRAEL'S POLICY, IF ONE CAN CALL IT A POLICY, IS: NOT TO LET THE TERRORISTS ENTER. ANY WHO DO ENTER--NOT TO LET THEM GET OUT ALIVE. ALL THE REST ARE CONSIDERATIONS ACCORDING TO THE PARTICULAR SITUATION AND CIRCUMSTANCES. WE OF COURSE FEEL THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PERMIT A SITUATION WHEREBY TERRORISTS CAN INFILTRATE, TAKE HOSTAGES AND WAGE A VICTORY CAMPAIGN ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADORS. END OUOTE.

4. ASKED DURING INTERVIEW WHY IDF STORMED BUILDING SO QUICKLY RATHER THAN PURSUING NEGOTIATIONS (ENTIRE OPERATION UNCLASSIFIED

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WAS OVER IN TWO HOURS), PERES SAID GOI HAD FOUND RAPID RESPONSE TO BE MOST EFFECTIVE, BEFORE TERRORISTS HAVE CHANCE TO PLACE EXPLOSIVES AND CAPTURE ATTENTION OF WORLD PRESS. HE ALSO REFERRED TO SPECIAL CASE OF KFAR YUVAL BEING LOCATED VIRTUALLY ON LEBANESE BORDER, ALLUDING TO POSSIBILITY OF TERRORISTS RECEIVING COVERING FIRE FROM LEBANESE TERRITORY.

5. PERES ALSO DESCRIBED RETALIATORY AIR STRIKE ON KFAR SHUBA AS BEING PART OF SAME OPERATIONAL ENTITY AS STORMING OF BUILDING IN KFAR YUAL ITSELF. DEFMIN DISCLOSED THAT TERRORISTS WERE CARRYING LEAFLETS SAYING "THE HEROES OF SHUBA VILLAGE" AND SAID IT IS "NOT DIFFICULT TO ASSUME" THAT KFAR SHUBA WAS "POINT OF DEPARTURE, ASSISTANCE AND COORDINATION"..

6. GOI OFFICIALLY BLAMED ARAB LIBERATION FRONT FOR ATTACK ON KFAR YUVAL, AND ISSUED ENGLISH-LANGUAGE BACKGROUND MATERIAL CONCERNING ALP TO PRESS. MATERIAL STATES THAT ALF "TAKES ITS ORDERS FROM THE IRAQI REGIME, WHICH ALSO GIVES IF FINANCIAL SUPPORT". LEADER OF ALF IS DESCRIBED AS ABD AL-WAHAB AL-KIALI, "WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE PLO EXECUTIVE AND IS CHAIRMAN OF THE PLO'S DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION AND CULTURE."

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